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Title: DUAL COUPLED CHECK VALVE FOR DIRECT DRIVE REVERSIBLE POWER SOURCES FOR HYDRAULIC SYSTEMS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

10 MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents

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Dear Commissioner:

15 Responding to the communication from Examiner Lazo mailed July 10, 2006, the Applicant amends his application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following related applications statement before (above) the heading:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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20 **RELATED APPLICATIONS:**

This Application relates to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. **60/455,999** filed March 18, 2003 entitled FLOW CONTROL APPARATUS FOR USE WITH FLOW DIRECTION REVERSING PUMPS IN A HYDRAULIC SYSTEM, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, and claims any and all benefits to which it is entitled thereby.

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